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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: EAIR, PO

SUBJECT: TWA ACCESS TO LAJES

REF: (A) PONTA DELGADA 0037, (B) LISBON 0282

- 1. FOLLOWING CONFIRMS OUR TELECON OF EARLIER TODAY.
- 2. CONSULATE MAY PASS SUBSTANCE OF REF B TO REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY PACHECO DE ALMEIDA. MESSAGE SHOULD BE STRAIGHT FORWARD AND SUCCINCT WITHOUT HIGHLIGHTING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OUR REPORT AND STATEMENT BY GENERAL FIGUEREIDO. CONSULATE SHOULD NOT SEEK PRIOR CLEARANCE OF GENERAL FIGUEREIDO FOR ITS MESSAGE TO DE ALMEIDA.
- 3. FYI: LOCAL TWA MANAGER CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY TODAY THAT GOP HAS NOT SENT HIM FORMAL WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT HIS OPERATIONS AT LAJES COULD CARRY 5TH FREEDOM TRAFFIC. HE DOES NOT RECALL HAVING RECEIVED ANY ORAL NOTICE TO THAT EFFECT. LOCAL TWA MANAGER CLAIMS THAT GENERAL FIGUEREIDO'S REFERENCE TO TAP DESIRE FOR RIGHTS AT NIAGARA FALLS IS THE FIRST MENTION OF THIS SUBJECT THAT HE HAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HEARD.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT CONSULATE SHOULD NOT BE CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF AN ARGUMENT BETWEEN PACHECO DE ALMEIDA AND GENERAL FIGUEREIDO ON THIS SUBJECT. IT HOPES THAT TWA'S REPRESENTATIVE IN THE AZORES WILL ALSO AVOID BEING CAUGHT UP IN THE ARGUMENT.

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